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<b>Notice of Allowability</b>  <i>Supplemental</i>	Application No.	Applicant(s)
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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTO-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1.  This communication is responsive to 06/17/04.
2.  The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-49.
3.  The drawings filed on 05 December 2001 are accepted by the Examiner.
4.  Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
  - a)  All
  - b)  Some\*
  - c)  None
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  1.  Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
  2.  Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.
  3.  Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

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5.  A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
6.  CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
  - (a)  including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached  
1)  hereto or 2)  to Paper No./Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_.
  - (b)  including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of  
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7.  DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

#### Attachment(s)

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| 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)   | 5. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)            |
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|  | 9. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____.   |

## **DETAILED ACTION**

### **Examiner's Amendment**

1. This Office Action is in response to Amendment filed 06/17/2004.

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

The application has been amended as follows:

#### **Lack of antecedent basis in the claims.**

Claim 7,

line 1, "the linear" should be -- a linear --.

Line 4, "the instruction" should be -- an instruction --. "check logic" should be --check unit--.

Line 6, "check logic" should be --check unit--.

Claim 9,

line 1, "the linear" should be -- a linear --.

lines 4, 6, "check logic" should be --check unit--.

Claim 26,

lines 3 and 5, "check logic" should be --check unit--.

Claim 28,

lines 2 and 5, "check logic" should be --check unit--.

#### **Abstract.**

The abstract of the application has been amended as follow:

The following passage has been deleted from the last 6 lines of the abstract, starting with "The security attribute table ..." and ending at "multiple memory pages.".

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**Reasons for allowance**

2. The primary reasons for allowance of claims 1, 11-13, 30 and 41 in the instant application is the combination with the inclusion of the limitation of "the security check unit is configured to use the physical address to access at least one security attribute data structure, .... and generating a fault signal dependent upon the security attributes of selected memory page **and** the additional security attribute of the selected memory page". Because claims 2-10, 14-29, 31-40 and 42-49 depend directly or indirectly on claim 1, 30 and 41. These claims are considered allowable for at least the same reasons noted above.

**Conclusion**

3. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.  
a. McKee US 2003/0115476 discloses hardware enforced control of access to memory. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the Examiner should be directed to Ngoc Dinh whose telephone number is (703) 305-3032. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday 8:30 AM-5:00 PM. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Donald A. Sparks, can be reached on (703) 308-1756. The fax phone numbers for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned are (703) 746-7239 for regular communications and (703) 746-7238 for After Final communications. Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 305-3900.



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Patent Examiner

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